

Higher education revenues per student

Tuition and fees, government appropriations, and gifts and endowments provide most of the revenues for institutions of higher education. The proportion of total revenues from each source can vary from year to year, thus requiring administrators of U.S. colleges and universities to be alert to changes in the overall availability of funds. The availability of funds and their sources affect decisions about rates for tuition and fees and, in turn, the cost of providing and completing a higher education degree.

- The primary source of revenue for all public institutions comes mainly from state and local government appropriations. Between 1986 and 1996, state and local government appropriations per full-time-equivalent (FTE) student fell both in constant 1995–96 dollars and as a share of all revenue at public universities from \$8,980 to \$7,994 and from 51 to 40 percent as a share of all revenue (see supplemental tables 39-1 and 39-2).
- Between 1986 and 1996, tuition and fees per FTE student increased both in constant dollars and as a share of all revenue at public institutions. At public universities, for example, tuition and fees rose from \$3,186 to \$4,825 in constant 1995–96 dollars and from 19 to 25 percent as a share of all revenue between 1986 and 1996 (see supplemental table 40-1).
- Between 1986 and 1996, average tuition and fee revenue per FTE student increased at private universities, rising from \$12,000 to \$16,299 in constant 1995–96 dollars. In addition, revenue from private gifts and endowment income per FTE student climbed by 37 percent (from \$6,014 to \$8,227), compared with an increase of 12 percent at private 4-year colleges (from \$2,794 to \$3,134).

General education revenues of higher education institutions per full-time-equivalent (FTE) student (in constant 1995–96 dollars), by selected revenue sources and control and type of institution: Academic years ending 1977–96

Academic year ending	Universities				Colleges					
	Private		Public		Private 4-year		Public 4-year		Public 2-year	
	Tuition and fees*	Gifts and endowment	Tuition and fees*	Federal appropriations	Tuition and fees*	Gifts and endowment	Tuition and fees*	Federal appropriations	Tuition and fees*	Federal appropriations
1977	\$9,172	\$4,779	\$2,487	\$8,386	\$6,945	\$2,417	\$1,865	\$7,466	\$1,018	\$4,513
1978	9,141	4,731	2,514	8,558	6,978	2,343	1,838	7,621	977	4,555
1979	9,232	4,779	2,556	8,829	7,021	2,358	1,806	7,897	979	4,620
1980	9,267	4,782	2,525	8,646	7,087	2,454	1,785	7,976	983	4,511
1981	9,512	4,937	2,543	8,301	7,137	2,466	1,808	7,795	979	4,248
1982	9,866	4,971	2,659	8,110	7,353	2,546	1,892	7,758	1,034	4,190
1983	10,537	4,836	2,877	7,935	7,672	2,602	1,943	7,528	1,039	3,891
1984	11,219	5,532	2,997	8,240	7,918	2,629	2,104	7,453	1,077	3,970
1985	11,601	5,809	3,012	8,779	8,170	2,749	2,161	8,014	1,147	4,309
1986	12,000	6,014	3,186	8,980	8,402	2,794	2,243	8,169	1,165	4,510
1987	12,848	6,317	3,330	8,759	8,947	2,924	2,245	7,871	1,177	4,528
1988	13,198	6,573	3,492	8,841	9,193	2,909	2,336	7,952	1,162	4,423
1989	13,502	6,709	3,584	8,821	9,383	2,902	2,401	7,616	1,220	4,436
1990	13,628	6,822	3,668	8,678	9,684	2,845	2,443	7,436	1,221	4,271
1991	14,210	6,958	3,794	8,442	9,919	2,790	2,458	6,856	1,274	4,245
1992	14,557	6,960	4,050	8,056	10,255	2,667	2,703	6,659	1,337	4,004
1993	14,963	7,337	4,340	7,964	10,474	2,634	2,968	6,532	1,438	3,953
1994	15,469	7,538	4,526	7,929	10,786	2,621	3,083	6,470	1,522	4,066
1995	15,900	7,761	4,668	8,062	11,111	2,775	3,163	6,592	1,534	4,167
1996	16,299	8,227	4,825	7,994	11,337	3,134	3,263	6,481	1,574	4,199

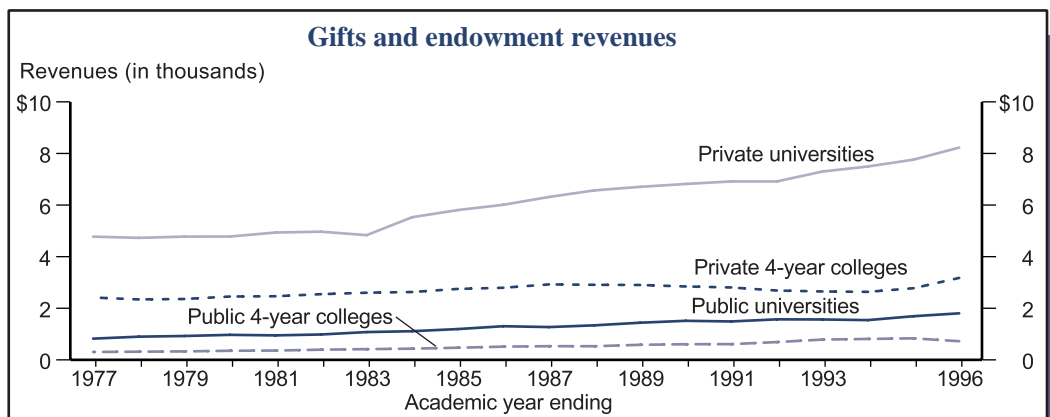
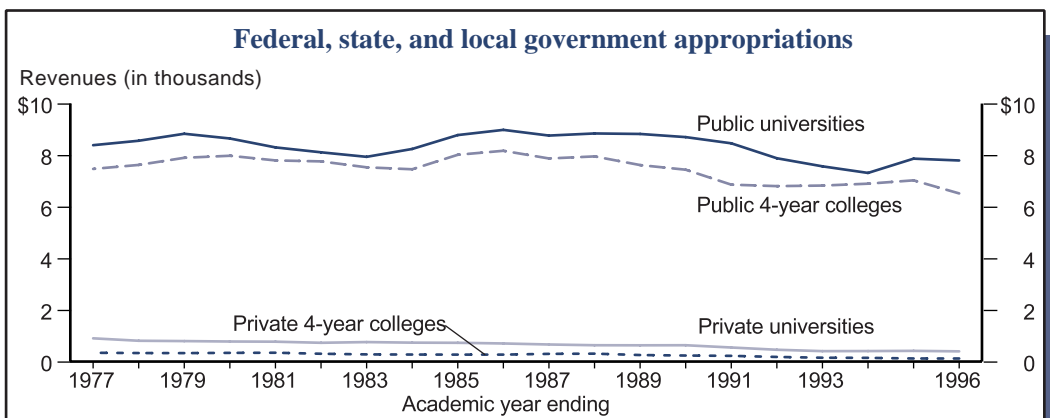
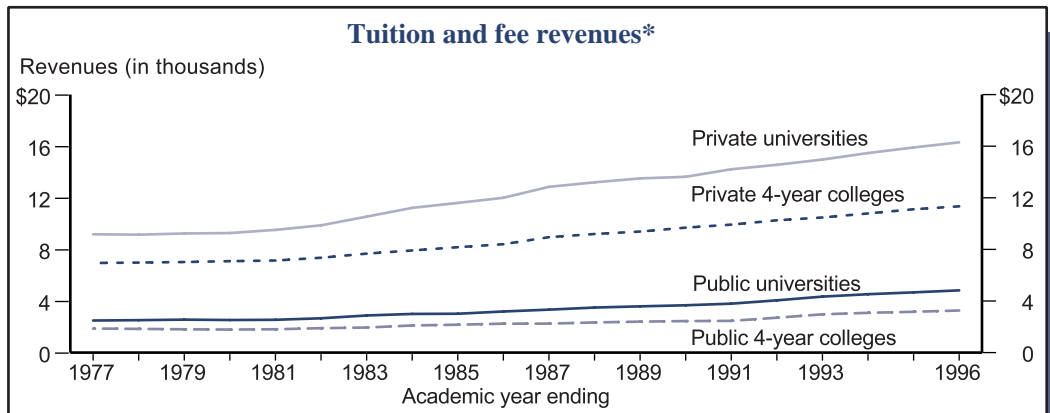
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Table 39-1 Percentage distribution of general education revenues of higher education institutions per full-time-equivalent (FTE) student, by revenue source and control and type of institution: Academic years ending 1977–96

Academic year ending	Total	Tuition and fees*	Federal appropriations	State and local appropriations	Federal grants and contracts	State and local grants and contracts	Private gifts	Endowment	Sales and services of educational activities
Private, not-for-profit universities									
1977	100.0	40.3	2.2	1.8	27.7	2.5	12.9	8.0	4.6
1978	100.0	40.6	2.0	1.6	27.4	2.2	13.4	7.7	5.1
1979	100.0	40.8	2.0	1.5	27.4	2.2	12.9	8.2	4.9
1980	100.0	40.1	1.9	1.4	27.8	2.6	12.4	8.3	5.4
1981	100.0	40.8	1.8	1.5	27.4	2.1	12.8	8.4	5.2
1982	100.0	42.5	1.7	1.4	25.6	1.9	12.7	8.7	5.3
1983	100.0	45.0	1.8	1.4	23.2	2.2	12.9	7.7	5.7
1984	100.0	44.2	1.6	1.3	22.8	2.2	13.4	8.4	6.1
1985	100.0	44.4	1.5	1.2	22.8	2.1	13.5	8.7	5.7
1986	100.0	44.2	1.4	1.2	23.2	2.2	13.6	8.6	5.7
1987	100.0	43.8	1.1	1.1	23.9	2.8	13.3	8.2	5.7
1988	100.0	44.0	1.1	1.0	22.3	3.6	13.5	8.5	6.0
1989	100.0	44.0	1.1	0.9	21.9	3.7	13.2	8.6	6.5
1990	100.0	43.9	1.1	0.9	21.9	3.7	13.4	8.6	6.4
1991	100.0	45.1	0.9	0.8	21.1	3.2	13.6	8.5	6.8
1992	100.0	45.2	0.9	0.5	21.0	3.4	13.5	8.1	7.4
1993	100.0	44.9	0.8	0.4	21.0	3.4	14.0	8.1	7.4
1994	100.0	45.1	0.8	0.4	21.5	2.6	14.1	7.9	7.6
1995	100.0	45.2	0.7	0.4	21.1	2.7	14.0	8.1	7.8
1996	100.0	45.4	0.7	0.4	20.8	2.4	14.2	8.7	7.4
Public universities									
1977	100.0	16.4	2.9	52.4	17.0	2.1	4.7	0.7	3.7
1978	100.0	16.3	3.0	52.5	16.7	2.1	4.8	1.0	3.5
1979	100.0	15.9	3.0	52.1	16.9	2.3	4.7	1.0	4.0
1980	100.0	15.9	2.6	51.8	17.4	2.1	5.0	1.1	4.1
1981	100.0	16.4	2.3	51.3	17.3	2.3	5.0	1.1	4.3
1982	100.0	17.6	2.1	51.4	15.8	2.2	5.3	1.1	4.4
1983	100.0	19.0	2.0	50.3	15.0	2.1	5.9	1.2	4.5
1984	100.0	19.1	2.0	50.6	14.9	1.9	5.8	1.3	4.4
1985	100.0	18.3	2.1	51.2	14.8	2.0	5.9	1.3	4.4
1986	100.0	18.6	2.1	50.5	14.8	2.0	6.2	1.4	4.4
1987	100.0	19.5	1.9	49.3	15.0	2.4	6.4	1.0	4.5
1988	100.0	19.8	1.5	48.7	15.4	2.4	6.6	1.0	4.5
1989	100.0	20.0	1.5	47.7	15.6	2.6	7.0	1.0	4.6
1990	100.0	20.4	1.4	46.8	15.6	2.9	7.4	1.0	4.6
1991	100.0	21.1	1.4	45.6	16.0	3.0	7.2	1.1	4.8
1992	100.0	22.3	1.3	43.0	16.7	2.8	7.5	1.2	5.0
1993	100.0	23.3	1.3	41.3	17.2	2.7	7.7	1.3	5.1
1994	100.0	23.8	1.3	40.4	17.7	3.0	7.7	1.2	4.8
1995	100.0	24.0	1.2	40.3	17.7	3.1	7.6	1.3	4.9
1996	100.0	24.6	1.1	39.6	17.2	3.2	7.9	1.4	4.9

Table 39-1 Percentage distribution of general education revenues of higher education institutions per full-time-equivalent (FTE) student, by revenue source and control and type of institution: Academic years ending 1977-96—Continued

Academic year ending	Total	Tuition and fees*	Federal appropriations	State and local appropriations	Federal grants and contracts	State and local grants and contracts	Private gifts	Endowment	Sales and services of educational activities
Private, not-for-profit 4-year colleges									
1977	100.0	61.7	0.9	2.1	10.8	2.0	15.6	5.8	1.0
1978	100.0	62.5	1.0	2.0	10.5	2.0	15.2	5.8	1.0
1979	100.0	62.2	1.0	1.9	11.0	2.0	14.7	6.2	1.0
1980	100.0	61.0	1.0	1.9	11.5	2.3	14.5	6.6	1.1
1981	100.0	61.6	1.1	1.9	10.7	2.3	14.3	6.9	1.2
1982	100.0	63.0	0.8	1.7	9.2	2.3	14.2	7.6	1.0
1983	100.0	64.6	0.6	1.7	7.7	2.4	14.4	7.5	1.0
1984	100.0	65.0	0.5	1.7	7.7	2.4	14.2	7.4	1.1
1985	100.0	64.8	0.5	1.6	7.7	2.5	14.3	7.5	1.0
1986	100.0	64.9	0.5	1.6	7.8	2.6	14.1	7.4	1.1
1987	100.0	65.2	0.6	1.6	7.4	2.9	14.1	7.2	1.1
1988	100.0	65.5	0.5	1.6	7.4	3.1	13.4	7.3	1.1
1989	100.0	66.0	0.4	1.4	7.1	3.6	13.0	7.5	1.1
1990	100.0	66.9	0.4	1.2	7.1	3.8	12.4	7.3	1.0
1991	100.0	68.1	0.4	1.1	6.8	3.5	12.1	7.1	0.9
1992	100.0	68.9	0.4	0.8	7.0	4.1	11.5	6.5	0.9
1993	100.0	69.2	0.3	0.7	7.1	3.8	11.3	6.1	1.5
1994	100.0	69.6	0.2	0.7	7.0	4.0	11.2	5.8	1.5
1995	100.0	69.9	0.2	0.5	7.2	3.7	11.6	5.9	1.0
1996	100.0	68.9	0.2	0.5	6.6	3.7	12.5	6.5	1.0
Public 4-year colleges									
1977	100.0	16.4	4.9	60.7	11.6	2.1	2.4	0.3	1.7
1978	100.0	16.0	4.9	61.4	10.9	2.2	2.5	0.2	1.8
1979	100.0	15.2	4.9	61.6	11.2	2.3	2.5	0.3	1.9
1980	100.0	14.9	5.0	61.5	11.3	2.2	2.6	0.3	2.1
1981	100.0	15.4	5.3	60.8	10.9	2.2	2.7	0.4	2.3
1982	100.0	16.1	4.7	61.5	9.7	2.1	2.9	0.4	2.5
1983	100.0	17.0	4.8	61.2	8.7	2.1	3.2	0.4	2.5
1984	100.0	18.2	4.7	59.8	8.5	2.3	3.3	0.4	2.7
1985	100.0	17.6	4.6	60.7	8.3	2.1	3.4	0.4	2.8
1986	100.0	17.7	4.3	60.0	8.4	2.6	3.6	0.4	3.0
1987	100.0	18.0	4.3	58.8	8.4	3.0	3.8	0.5	3.3
1988	100.0	18.4	4.3	58.4	8.3	2.9	3.7	0.5	3.5
1989	100.0	19.2	2.8	58.1	8.6	3.0	4.1	0.6	3.7
1990	100.0	19.7	4.2	55.6	8.6	3.2	4.3	0.6	3.8
1991	100.0	20.7	3.8	53.8	8.9	3.4	4.8	0.3	4.2
1992	100.0	22.3	3.6	51.3	9.4	3.7	4.9	0.6	4.2
1993	100.0	23.8	3.4	48.9	9.8	4.0	4.9	0.7	4.4
1994	100.0	24.4	3.6	47.6	10.1	4.2	5.0	0.6	4.6
1995	100.0	24.1	3.4	46.9	10.4	4.9	5.0	0.6	4.7
1996	100.0	24.8	3.5	45.9	10.7	5.5	5.1	0.4	4.1

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Academic year ending	Total	Tuition and fees*	Federal appropriations	State and local appropriations	Federal grants and contracts	State and local grants and contracts	Private gifts	Endowment	Sales and services of educational activities
Public 2-year colleges									
1977	100.0	16.8	2.0	72.5	5.8	2.0	0.5	0.1	0.4
1978	100.0	16.1	1.8	73.3	5.5	2.3	0.5	0.1	0.4
1979	100.0	15.8	1.9	72.7	6.0	2.5	0.5	0.1	0.5
1980	100.0	16.1	1.3	72.6	6.3	2.6	0.5	0.1	0.5
1981	100.0	16.8	1.2	71.7	6.3	2.8	0.5	0.1	0.6
1982	100.0	18.0	1.1	71.7	5.2	2.9	0.5	0.1	0.5
1983	100.0	19.3	0.8	71.4	4.3	2.9	0.6	0.1	0.5
1984	100.0	19.5	0.9	71.0	4.4	2.9	0.6	0.1	0.5
1985	100.0	19.1	0.7	70.9	4.6	3.4	0.6	0.1	0.5
1986	100.0	18.6	0.6	71.4	4.5	3.7	0.6	0.1	0.6
1987	100.0	18.5	0.7	70.4	4.1	4.8	0.6	0.1	0.6
1988	100.0	18.7	0.7	70.5	4.1	4.7	0.7	0.1	0.5
1989	100.0	19.1	0.7	68.7	4.2	6.0	0.8	0.1	0.5
1990	100.0	19.6	0.7	67.7	4.2	6.3	0.9	0.1	0.5
1991	100.0	20.4	0.7	67.4	4.2	5.7	0.9	0.1	0.5
1992	100.0	22.1	0.8	65.2	4.5	5.8	1.0	0.1	0.5
1993	100.0	23.4	0.6	63.7	5.0	5.4	1.0	0.1	0.7
1994	100.0	23.8	0.6	63.0	5.3	5.4	1.0	0.1	0.8
1995	100.0	23.4	0.5	63.0	5.5	5.7	1.1	0.1	0.7
1996	100.0	23.2	0.4	61.5	5.6	7.4	1.1	0.1	0.7

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Private, not-for-profit universities									
1977	\$22,779	\$9,172	\$499	\$402	\$6,315	\$564	\$2,950	\$1,829	\$1,049
1978	22,511	9,141	447	360	6,169	506	3,007	1,724	1,157
1979	22,615	9,232	446	347	6,187	506	2,928	1,852	1,116
1980	23,119	9,267	451	327	6,436	611	2,869	1,913	1,244
1981	23,313	9,512	418	353	6,394	489	2,974	1,964	1,209
1982	23,204	9,866	394	334	5,947	452	2,950	2,021	1,240
1983	23,404	10,537	422	334	5,435	504	3,023	1,813	1,336
1984	25,363	11,219	409	325	5,790	548	3,410	2,122	1,541
1985	26,130	11,601	404	324	5,958	556	3,526	2,283	1,479
1986	27,150	12,000	371	330	6,291	587	3,686	2,328	1,556
1987	29,342	12,848	337	325	7,017	814	3,899	2,417	1,684
1988	29,973	13,198	332	301	6,684	1,090	4,034	2,538	1,796
1989	30,708	13,502	343	287	6,738	1,143	4,055	2,654	1,986
1990	31,013	13,628	351	282	6,800	1,138	4,166	2,655	1,992
1991	31,508	14,210	295	250	6,650	999	4,276	2,682	2,145
1992	32,206	14,557	284	173	6,767	1,095	4,353	2,606	2,370
1993	33,298	14,963	263	140	6,996	1,120	4,645	2,692	2,478
1994	34,289	15,469	264	143	7,376	884	4,832	2,706	2,615
1995	35,193	15,900	261	153	7,442	945	4,921	2,839	2,731
1996	35,901	16,299	242	154	7,467	858	5,109	3,118	2,654
Public universities									
1977	\$15,155	\$2,487	\$439	\$7,948	\$2,581	\$322	\$714	\$107	\$557
1978	15,410	2,514	463	8,095	2,567	331	747	151	540
1979	16,025	2,556	474	8,355	2,710	364	758	167	643
1980	15,898	2,525	406	8,240	2,760	341	790	179	656
1981	15,479	2,543	355	7,945	2,675	349	778	170	663
1982	15,141	2,659	321	7,789	2,391	327	810	173	671
1983	15,163	2,877	310	7,624	2,276	319	890	187	679
1984	15,662	2,997	311	7,929	2,326	297	903	207	692
1985	16,463	3,012	351	8,427	2,434	327	976	217	719
1986	17,099	3,186	351	8,629	2,530	345	1,062	243	754
1987	17,113	3,330	321	8,438	2,567	419	1,092	178	768
1988	17,597	3,492	263	8,578	2,712	430	1,164	175	784
1989	17,924	3,584	268	8,553	2,790	463	1,253	186	827
1990	18,014	3,668	252	8,426	2,808	515	1,325	189	831
1991	17,989	3,794	248	8,194	2,875	532	1,296	192	858
1992	18,173	4,050	245	7,811	3,042	513	1,367	227	918
1993	18,661	4,340	248	7,716	3,218	511	1,445	238	944
1994	18,039	4,526	248	7,681	3,358	572	1,466	234	909
1995	19,424	4,668	239	7,823	3,430	594	1,471	246	952
1996	19,629	4,825	225	7,768	3,379	637	1,551	279	964

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Academic year ending	Total	Tuition and fees*	Federal appro- priations	State and local appro- priations	Federal grants and contracts	State and local grants and contracts	Private gifts	Endow- ment	Sales and services of educational activities
Private, not-profit 4-year colleges									
1977	\$11,258	\$6,945	\$105	\$235	\$1,218	\$228	\$1,758	\$658	\$110
1978	11,166	6,978	109	220	1,176	225	1,698	644	116
1979	11,292	7,021	114	213	1,243	224	1,661	697	118
1980	11,612	7,087	121	215	1,340	264	1,684	770	130
1981	11,583	7,137	125	217	1,238	263	1,662	804	137
1982	11,663	7,353	99	204	1,076	266	1,657	889	120
1983	11,868	7,672	73	205	915	280	1,714	888	122
1984	12,175	7,918	67	205	932	288	1,733	896	136
1985	12,599	8,170	68	201	964	315	1,801	948	132
1986	12,953	8,402	63	206	1,015	337	1,830	964	137
1987	13,725	8,947	76	222	1,009	399	1,930	994	147
1988	14,026	9,193	76	230	1,038	429	1,884	1,025	150
1989	14,216	9,383	61	192	1,013	515	1,843	1,060	150
1990	14,477	9,684	54	179	1,026	545	1,788	1,056	144
1991	14,573	9,919	54	167	992	513	1,756	1,034	138
1992	14,889	10,255	55	124	1,039	609	1,706	961	141
1993	15,126	10,474	40	108	1,069	574	1,712	922	226
1994	15,495	10,786	34	110	1,092	618	1,729	891	236
1995	15,894	11,111	34	85	1,137	593	1,844	932	158
1996	16,458	11,337	32	86	1,084	613	2,057	1,076	171
Public 4-year colleges									
1977	\$11,384	\$1,865	\$559	\$6,907	\$1,322	\$236	\$270	\$36	\$188
1978	11,497	1,838	560	7,061	1,257	254	288	28	210
1979	11,863	1,806	584	7,313	1,327	276	294	34	230
1980	11,990	1,785	604	7,372	1,353	267	311	41	256
1981	11,780	1,808	628	7,168	1,289	262	314	46	265
1982	11,725	1,892	546	7,212	1,137	251	344	50	293
1983	11,406	1,943	545	6,983	988	245	369	46	287
1984	11,559	2,104	542	6,911	987	266	385	49	316
1985	12,274	2,161	563	7,451	1,015	263	420	50	349
1986	12,702	2,243	542	7,627	1,071	326	459	54	379
1987	12,478	2,245	539	7,333	1,045	373	470	60	414
1988	12,684	2,336	539	7,412	1,056	363	467	62	449
1989	12,511	2,401	352	7,264	1,075	375	513	69	461
1990	12,422	2,443	526	6,910	1,068	392	537	69	478
1991	11,891	2,458	455	6,401	1,061	406	569	40	499
1992	12,122	2,703	439	6,220	1,136	444	598	73	508
1993	12,483	2,968	428	6,105	1,224	503	615	89	553
1994	12,642	3,083	457	6,013	1,277	533	629	74	576
1995	13,098	3,163	445	6,147	1,358	639	651	76	620
1996	13,133	3,263	459	6,021	1,399	726	668	57	540

Table 39-2 General education revenues of higher education institutions per full-time-equivalent (FTE) student (in constant 1995–96 dollars), by revenue source and control and type of institution: Academic years ending 1977–96—Continued

Academic year ending	Total	Tuition and fees*	Federal appro- priations	State and local appro- priations	Federal grants and contracts	State and local grants and contracts	Private gifts	Endow- ment	Sales and services of educational activities
Public 2-year colleges									
1977	\$6,057	\$1,018	\$120	\$4,393	\$349	\$119	\$31	\$4	\$24
1978	6,065	977	108	4,447	335	139	30	4	25
1979	6,191	979	120	4,500	372	154	29	4	32
1980	6,104	983	82	4,429	385	159	29	5	31
1981	5,822	979	72	4,176	364	163	29	6	32
1982	5,756	1,034	63	4,127	301	165	31	7	28
1983	5,386	1,039	44	3,847	233	156	30	8	29
1984	5,522	1,077	47	3,923	242	162	33	8	29
1985	6,012	1,147	45	4,264	278	204	37	8	30
1986	6,267	1,165	38	4,472	281	229	39	8	35
1987	6,361	1,177	47	4,481	264	307	40	9	36
1988	6,210	1,162	45	4,378	252	290	44	6	33
1989	6,394	1,220	42	4,394	268	381	50	6	31
1990	6,244	1,221	41	4,230	262	395	53	7	34
1991	6,230	1,274	43	4,202	260	356	56	6	33
1992	6,062	1,337	50	3,953	274	349	59	6	33
1993	6,145	1,438	37	3,916	309	334	60	6	45
1994	6,389	1,522	38	4,028	337	346	63	6	49
1995	6,560	1,534	33	4,134	359	372	72	8	47
1996	6,782	1,574	30	4,169	378	502	73	8	49

* Federally supported student aid received through students (e.g., Federal Student Loan Programs) is included under tuition and fees.

NOTE: The Higher Education Price Index (HEPI) was used to calculate constant dollars. Data for academic years 1976–77 through 1985–86 include only institutions that provided both enrollment and finance data. FTE students include both undergraduate and graduate students. Data for 1989 to 1995 were revised from previously published figures. Details may not add to totals due to rounding.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Higher Education General Information Survey (HEGIS) "Financial Statistics of Institutions of Higher Education" survey and Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) "Institutional Characteristics," "Financial Statistics," and "Fall Enrollment" surveys.